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Subject: *** Media Clips 6/7/2021 – 6/8/2021 ***

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Thank you,
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Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel's Facebook page – Check it out daily for up-to-date information!!!

- <https://www.facebook.com/MIAttorneyGeneral/>

Adopt and Amend

- <https://www.fox17online.com/news/local-news/michigan/ag-nessel-says-shes-not-the-proper-defendant-in-lawsuit-taking-aim-at-adopt-and-amend>
- <https://wbckfm.com/ag-nessel-bows-out-of-minimum-wage-lawsuit/>
- [Gongwer News Service - Michigan](#)

DTE

- <https://www.fox17online.com/news/local-news/michigan/ag-nessel-wants-to-significantly-reduce-dtes-requested-rate-hike>
- <https://www.detroitnews.com/story/business/2021/06/07/nessel-dte-gas-rate-increase-request/7588261002/>
- <https://www.wlns.com/news/ag-nessel-intervenes-to-reduce-dte-gas-rate-increase-request-by-90/>
- <https://www.abc12.com/2021/06/07/michigan-attorney-general-seeks-90-reduction-dte-natural-gas-increase/>
- <https://www.radioresultsnetwork.com/2021/06/07/nessel-objects-to-dte-energys-natural-gas-rate-increases/>
- <https://www.wilx.com/2021/06/07/ag-nessel-seeking-reduce-dte-gas-requested-rate-hike-by-90/>
- https://www.wnem.com/news/nessel-advocates-for-neutral-gas-to-remain-affordable/article_ce1dabd4-c7c5-11eb-8848-f73693799d22.html?block_id=994426
- <https://flipboard.com/topic/kalamazoo/nessel-wants-dte-s-90-rate-increase-to-be-cut/a--7yP-ttwQgm5ef3ef0NOgQ%3Aa%3A2429204041-8e41f1ecd6%2Fpatch.com>
- [Gongwer News Service - Michigan](#)
- <https://www.wzzm13.com/article/news/early-morning-rush-tuesday-june-8/69-dad21a1d-f1b3-4c46-acb2-863298a958b4>

Home Improvement Scammers

- <https://patch.com/michigan/detroit/beware-home-improvement-scammers-michigan-attorney-general>
- <https://wtvbam.com/2021/06/07/ag-nessel-warns-residents-of-home-improvement-scams/>
- <https://wwmt.com/news/state/michigan-attorney-general-reminds-residents-to-research-home-improvement-offers>
- <https://michimich.com/minews/ag-nessel-reminds-michiganders-to-research-home-improvement-offers-michimich-10122804>

Flint Water

- <https://michiganrisingaction.org/2021/06/07/michigan-rising-action-demands-nessel-cease-politicizing-the-attorney-generals-office-over-flint-water-probe/>
- <https://www.wsws.org/en/articles/2021/06/08/flin-j08.html>

Ypsilanti Crematorium

- <https://www.clickondetroit.com/all-about-ann-arbor/2021/06/07/michigan-ag-to-investigate-complaints-on-mishandling-of-human-remains-by-ypsilanti-crematory/>

Criminal Justice Reform

- <https://wdet.org/posts/2021/06/07/91055-despite-bipartisan-support-michigan-lawmakers-balk-at-funding-criminal-justice-initiatives/>

Ron Weiser

- <https://www.wgvunews.org/post/u-michigan-won-t-drop-gop-donor-s-name-over-witches-remark>

Forensic Audit

- https://www.bakersfield.com/ap/national/michigan-gop-official-party-focused-on-next-election-not-audit/article_7071907f-ccb3-556b-bee8-7d2803af3e0b.html

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Whew! Sending it out to the Free Press, which asked for this yesterday.

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[REDACTED] The AG just talked at length about it during her budget hearing.

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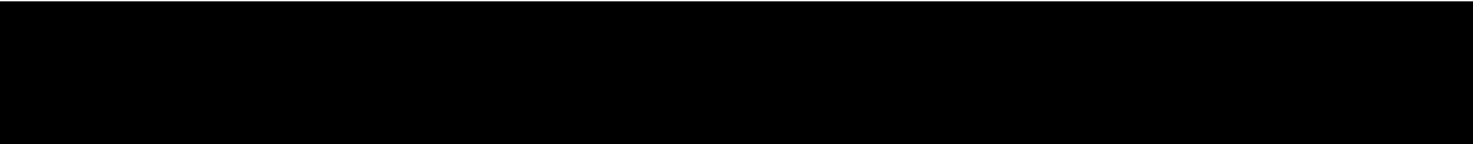
AG, not AGH. (fast fingers, slow brain are my downfall!)

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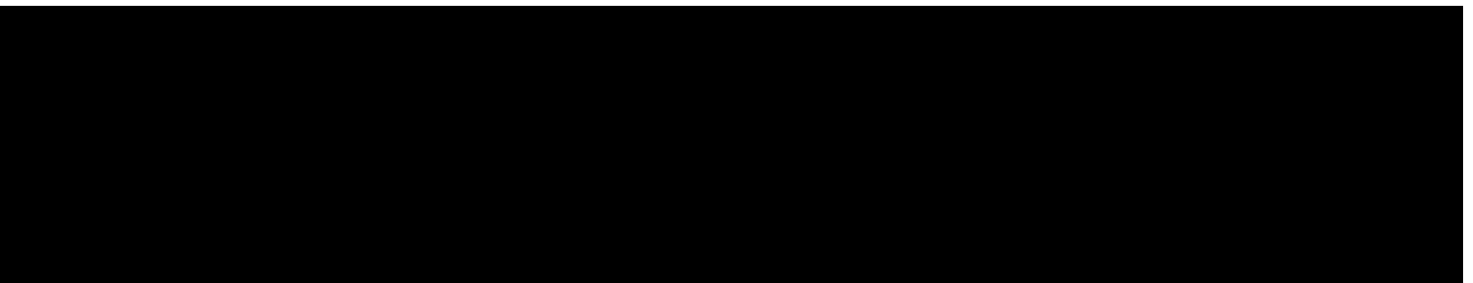
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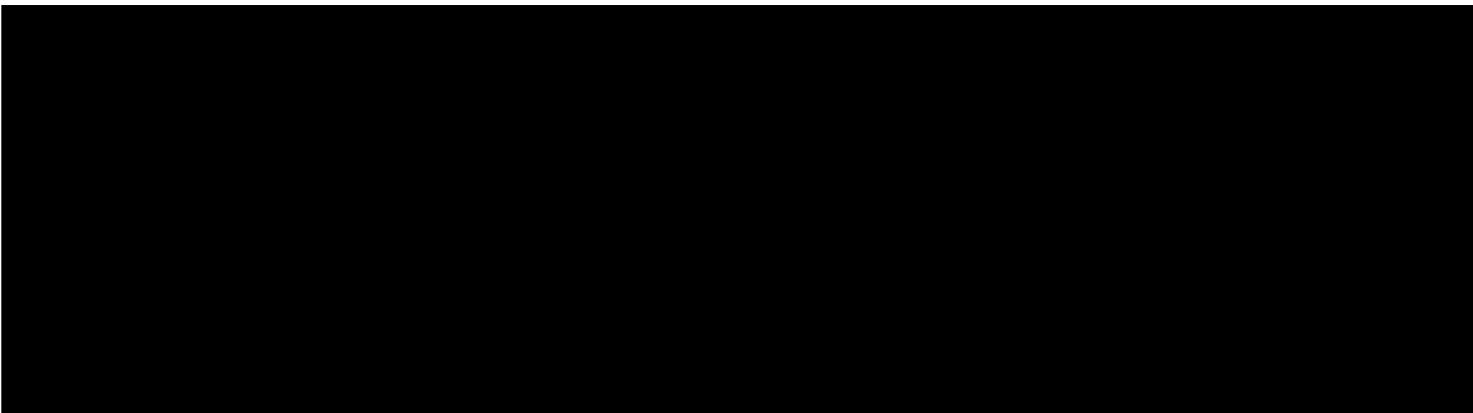
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“The process for establishing criminal wrongdoing is the same for everyone in our state, regardless of their position. In the case of Flint, the prosecution team established probable cause in order to obtain and review millions of documents before indictments were issued based on existing Michigan laws.

In the case of Sen. Runestad’s request, simply suggesting or suspecting there was criminal wrongdoing isn’t sufficient. Criminal investigations are initiated when there is cause to believe that crimes were committed. We would – and we will, if appropriate – initiate a criminal investigation when there is cause to believe crimes were committed.”

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From: Rossman-McKinney, Kelly (AG) <RossmanMcKinneyK@michigan.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:54 AM

To: Nessel, Dana (AG) [REDACTED]; McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>; Grossi, Christina (AG) <GrossiC@michigan.gov>; Hammoud, Fadwa (AG) <HammoudF1@michigan.gov>
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From: Nessel, Dana (AG) [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:49 AM
To: McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>; Rossman-McKinney, Kelly (AG) <RossmanMcKinneyK@michigan.gov>; Grossi, Christina (AG) <GrossiC@michigan.gov>; Hammoud, Fadwa (AG) <HammoudF1@michigan.gov>
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From: McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:31:02 AM
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The clean suggestion below:

[REDACTED]

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Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:30 AM
To: Grossi, Christina (AG) <GrossiC@michigan.gov>; Nessel, Dana (AG) <[REDACTED]>; Hammoud, Fadwa (AG) <HammoudF1@michigan.gov>
Cc: McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>
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[REDACTED]

From: Grossi, Christina (AG) <GrossiC@michigan.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:29 AM
To: Rossman-McKinney, Kelly (AG) <RossmanMcKinneyK@michigan.gov>; Nessel, Dana (AG) <[REDACTED]>
Hammoud, Fadwa (AG) <HammoudF1@michigan.gov>
Cc: McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>
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From: Rossman-McKinney, Kelly (AG) <RossmanMcKinneyK@michigan.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:27:35 AM
To: Nessel, Dana (AG) <[REDACTED]>; Hammoud, Fadwa (AG) <HammoudF1@michigan.gov>; Grossi, Christina (AG) <GrossiC@michigan.gov>
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Amber & I worked on shortening the Flint/Runestad statement down to the response below – [REDACTED]

Please review and advise as I need to get this to the Freep this morning. Thanks!

From: McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:24 AM
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I like that. I think you can shorten the response even further to:

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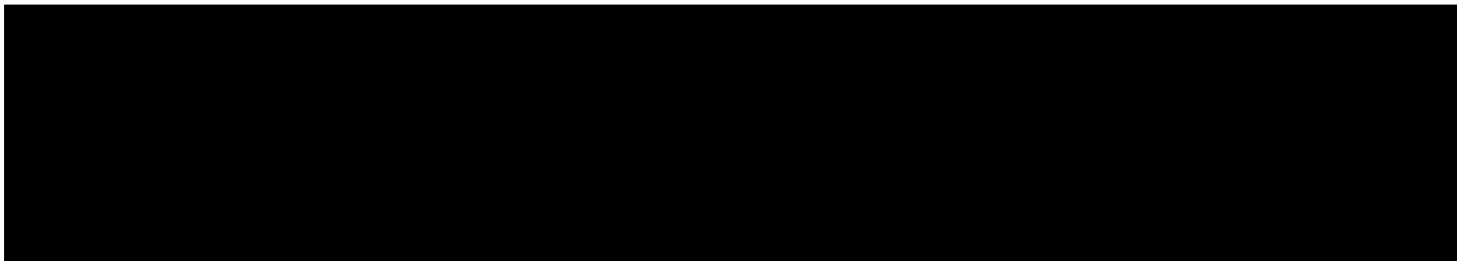
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Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:12 AM
To: McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>
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Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:11 AM
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From: Rossman-McKinney, Kelly (AG)

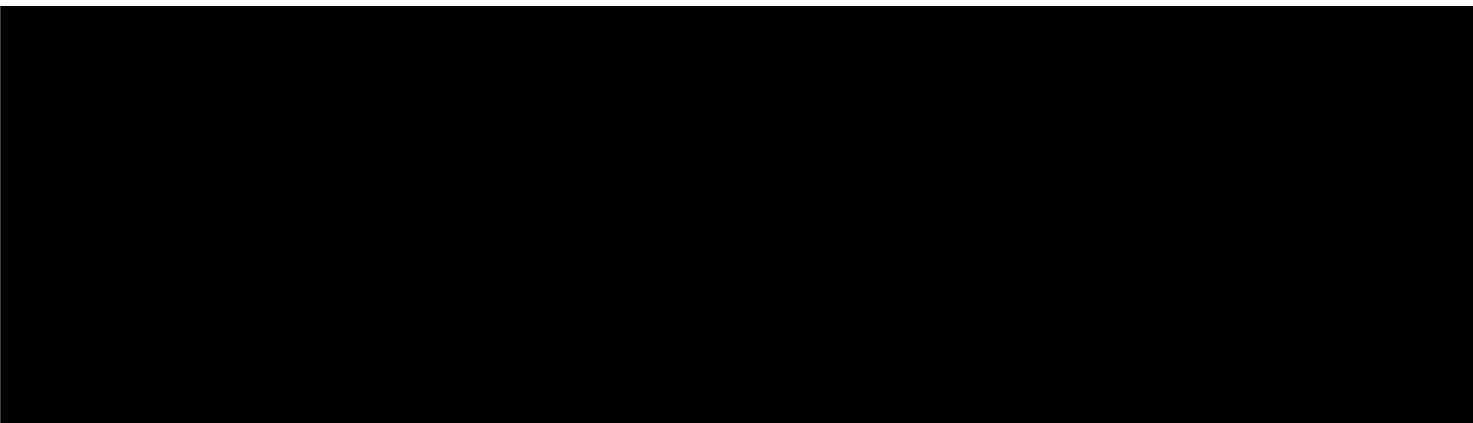
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 9:08 AM
To: McCann, Amber (AG) <McCannA@michigan.gov>
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How about this – a shorter version?



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Christina's edits.



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I didn't get Christina's edits to Fadwa's recommended response. Happy to discuss. Thanks!